

# The Lacombe Guardian

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## Items of Interest Locally

Stanley & Switzer have best value in flour.

For the choicest candles, made in Lacombe, go to the Lacombe Catty Kitchen.

New music and full line of magazines, at the new drug store, the City Pharmacy.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Vickers entertained friends at five hundred on Tuesday evening.

Miss McKenty returned this week from Edmonton, where she was visiting friends.

Good fresh groceries at right prices at Stanley & Switzer.

Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Gourlay entertained friends at five hundred on Wednesday evening the 22nd.

Mrs. A. M. Campbell received on Friday, January 30, and afterwards on the third Tuesday of each month.

Mrs. J. L. Poole returned to her home in Wetaskiwin the first of the week, after a fortnight's visit with friends here.

H. L. Brown returned on Saturday last from a holiday trip to Ontario. Mrs. Brown returning on Thursday this week.

The Rev. W. Harvey Moore B. A., will deliver an address on "Religious and National Union" in the Methodist church on February 18.

A seed fair in connection with the Central Alberta Exhibition Association will be held in the town hall, Lacombe, on Wednesday, February 11. For particulars apply to the secretary, N. E. Carruthers.

Mrs. Frank Farmer, formerly of Bentley, visited friends in Lacombe last week. Mr. Farmer now has a fruit farm near Mission, B. C., the fruit from which he ships in season to Messrs. Titworth and Raymond here.

A masquerade ball will be held in Eureka Valley school house on Friday evening, February 6, with the object of raising funds with which to purchase additions to the school equipment. A good time is assured to all who attend.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Deuker entertained about forty of their friends at five hundred Wednesday evening last week. All present report a pleasant evening. Mrs. A. M. Campbell won the first prize for ladies, and Mr. Bower the first prize for gentlemen.

The Ladies' Aid of St. Stephen's church will give a masquerade ball in the Comet Theatre, on Thursday night, February 5. Prizes will be given for the best original, fancy and comic costumes. The floor will be reserved for dancers in costume till after the prizes are awarded. Everybody come, and come in costume if possible. Tickets \$2 per couple. Single tickets \$1.

For feed and poultry supplies, go to Stanley & Switzer.

Miss Murphy, of Edmonton, is here for a few day's visit with Miss McKenty.

The City Pharmacy are steadily increasing their stock, and right now you will find it a first class drug store. Give us a trial.

The Assembly Club's dance on Thursday night brought out the usual large attendance and all present had a good time.

Lacombe hockey team journeyed to Coronation Thursday, and showed the good people of that town how the game is played. This was the third league game between Lacombe and Coronation and resulted in victory for Lacombe, the score being 7 to 1.

Mr. and Mrs. B. S. Cameron gave a five hundred party to about thirty of their friends on Monday evening. It was a jolly party and all enjoyed the evening. Mrs. Gibson won the ladies' prize, and Mr. Gibson the gentlemen's prize. Those other two prizes were awarded to Mrs. Titworth and Mr. Woody.

These long winter nights are just one dizzy round of pleasure in this burg, with the Assembly Club ball on Thursday night this week, a public ball on Friday night, and next week's program including a fancy dress ice carnival, dancing class assembly, masquerade ball, league hockey match, five hundred parties galore, and curling matches every afternoon and evening.

J. W. Shirkey was down from Rocky Mountain House to spend Sunday at home. He reports the work of getting out the for the Lacombe & Blindman Valley Electric Railway as moving right along. He has sublet a large part of the contract to the McDonald outfit, and expects to have sixty thousand ties ready for this end of the road before the snow goes. Mr. Shirkey will stay at Rocky Mountain House and personally oversee the work.

The efforts of some of the town council to "fire" Sam Morris from the police force have not worked out exactly as the aforesaid councillors anticipated. The proceedings were carried on in a manner that got Sam's dauber up, and so he whittled up his tombaw and started out after scalp. So effectively did he carry on his campaign that two scalps now decorate the walls of his wigwam. The first to pay the penalty of his rashness was R. H. Inglis, the instigator of the offensive deed. Sam succeeded in showing that "Bob" was woefully shy on the qualifications required by statute, and Robert's resignation went in. Sam next called attention to the fact that Wm. Sage was disqualified from sitting on the council board by reason of holding the office of bailiff, and "Billy's" resignation went in. Both resignations went into effect Wednesday. A meeting of the ratepayers has been called for February 7, at eleven o'clock, to nominate candidates to fill the vacancies caused by the resignations of the erstwhile councillors.

## Annual Seed Fair at Lacombe

The Eighth Annual Seed Fair will be held in the Town Hall, Lacombe, on Wednesday, Feb. 11th. Following is the program:

10 a.m.—All exhibits must be in place. Judging begins.

1.30 to 5 p.m.—Seed Market. The hall will be open for the examination, buying and selling of seed.

2.30 p.m.—Public meeting. Addresses will be given by speakers supplied by the Provincial Seed Branch.

RULES

(1) All Seeds entered for competition must have been grown by the exhibitor in the year 1913.

(2) No Seed shall be admitted for competition for prizes unless the quantities of Seed for sale as per sample exhibited are at least 50 bushels in each case of wheat, oats, barley and rye; 5 bushels of field peas; 3 bushels in each case of timothy seed, rye grass seed and broom grass seed; 1 bushel each of blue grass and alfalfa, and 10 bushels of potatoes.

(3) In classes 1-8, inclusive, one bushel of seed shall be shown in classes 9-15, half a bushel. All exhibits of Seed shall be held to be representative of the total quantity of such seed offered for sale by the exhibitor.

(4) No hand-picked exhibits in grains or grasses shall be admitted for competition for prizes.

(5) Small samples of every exhibit will be taken and held by the Association, in charge of the secretary, for exhibition purposes.

(6) No premium shall be awarded on exhibits that contain impurities, which in the opinion of the judge are of a noxious nature.

(7) No exhibitor shall receive more than one prize in any class.

(8) All samples of Seed must be labelled after judging, with the name and address of the exhibitor, the name of the variety, the amount of seed for sale and the selling price.

(9) In case of dispute a statutory declaration that the above rules have been complied with may be required from each or any exhibitor of seed.

(10) All exhibits for competition for prizes must be delivered at the Town Hall, Lacombe, not later than 10 a.m. on Wednesday, February 11th, 1914, and shall not be removed until the close of the fair.

PRIZE LIST

Sample.	1	2	3
1. Winter Wheat, any hard variety.....	\$4	\$4	\$2
2. Spring Wheat, any hard variety.....	6	4	2
3. Oats, White, Long.....	6	4	2
4. Oats, White, Short.....	6	4	2
5. Barley, 6-Rowed.....	6	4	2
6. Barley, 2-Rowed.....	6	4	2
7. Rye.....	6	4	2
8. Field Peas.....	5	3	2
9. Timothy Seed.....	5	3	2
10. Rye Grass Seed.....	5	3	2
11. Brome Grass Seed.....	5	3	2
12. Alfalfa.....	5	3	2

13. Blue Grass..... 5 3 2  
14. White Potatoes..... 5 3 2  
15. Red Potatoes..... 5 3 2

N. E. CARRUTHERS, Secretary.  
H. J. A. EVANS, President.

A bulletin will be published by the Provincial Department of Agriculture, giving a list and description of all commendable exhibits of seed at Seed Fairs held in Alberta previous to February 15th, 1914.

You can get a copy by writing the Superintendent of Seed Branch, Edmonton.

## Bentley

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Ford Martin, on Saturday, January 10, 1914.

Mrs. (Dr.) Baker and two children arrived on Sunday last to join the doctor here.

C. H. Whitworth and D. B. Palmer leave this week for a visit to their old home in Iowa.

J. E. Dameron and H. Thorpe now have their new real estate office open and ready for business.

A dance will be given in McPherson's hall on Saturday evening this week. Everybody welcome.

The Bentley Amateur Dramatic Society are rehearsing the play "What Happened to Jones," and expect to present the same on Monday night in March.

F. Vickersen, accompanied by D. W. Garner, held a meeting in the interest of the Lacombe Brick, Tile & Cement Company in the Vig district last Saturday night.

On Saturday night last the Bentley hockey team crossed sticks with the Blackfalds team at Lacombe rink, the resulting score being 5 to 1 in favor of Blackfalds.

## Blackfalds

L. A. Hill was at Rocky Mountain House this week on a business trip.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Sorensen, of Calgary, are here visiting Carl's parents.

Miss Flack, high school teacher, spent Sunday with her parents west of Lacombe.

Mrs. McCulla left on Thursday last for Iowa, where she is called by the illness of her father.

We are told that the C. N. R. train will leave the siding south of town every Wednesday at 2 o'clock.

The Methodist Ladies' Aid gave a social at the parsonage on Friday evening last that was much enjoyed by all present.

The hockey game between Blackfalds and Bentley, played at Lacombe rink on Saturday evening last, was won by Blackfalds on a 5 to 1 score.

Sunny Alberta is right on the job again. This morning at sunrise the thermometer registered 22 above, and later in the day marked 30 above in the shade.

## Meeting in Interest of Natural Gas

A meeting was held in the town hall on Monday evening for the purpose of discussing the question of drilling for gas at Lacombe. Mr. Martin, one of the oldest natural gas experts in Alberta, and the man at the head of the largest drilling company in the west, addressed the meeting at considerable length, and impressed his hearers with the fact that natural gas was the chief factor in building up a town. He proved by figures that natural gas was the cheapest of fuels; 1,000 feet of gas at a cost of 12¢, the price offered for manufacturing purposes, in Lacombe, was equal to one ton of coal, which costs us here in the neighborhood of \$6. He also by way of illustration of the cheapness of the fuel, stated that a 20 horse power engine could be run at full capacity for ten hours on two thousand feet of gas, costing the very low sum of 25¢. He also pointed out the advantage natural gas would be to the citizens at large, and the very considerable reduction it would make in the household expenses. He quoted figures to show that eight and ten room houses in Calgary and Medicine Hat were heated and lighted during the cold winter months at a price averaging about \$8 per month.

Mr. Martin also was sure that gas would be struck in Lacombe, and was willing to back his judgment by taking 100 shares in the company, and in the event of the town granting the Lacombe Brick, Tile & Cement Co. a franchise, would increase his subscription considerably.

Mr. Frank Vickersen, who is manager of the Brick Co., and one of the men who is working night and day to bring about the development of the gas industry here, also made a few remarks on the subject. He had travelled all over the district during the past few weeks interesting the residents in the project, and was meeting with splendid success. He had already secured subscriptions for over ten thousand shares, and had no doubt but that many more would be taken up. The gas proposition would be a grand thing for Lacombe, and especially for the manufacturing of brick and tile; he was sure that with gas the brick plant would become one of the largest and best paying business in Alberta. He was sure that the gas would also bring other manufacturing concerns to Lacombe. He had faith in the prospects for gas here, and was putting in every dollar he could personally into the work.

As to the drilling of the well, The lowest tender received was from the International Supply Co. the wealthy company that is drilling all the wells at Medicine Hat and Redcliff. This company offered to drill the well to the depth of 1,700 feet, the depth at which all experts are of the opinion gas will be struck, for the very reasonable sum of \$10.50 per foot, and in the event of gas not being secured at that depth in paying quantities,

will proceed deeper at the same rate per foot. The company was of the opinion that gas would be struck before reaching this depth, and were almost positive that it would be struck in paying quantities.

The Brick Company has accepted this tender, provided that the citizens of Lacombe grant a franchise for a term of years for the supply of gas to the municipality, and the council will be asked in the near future to submit a by-law to the people.

It is in the interests of the town that this company be granted a franchise, care being taken to safeguard the interests of the citizens, and we believe that when the company lays its proposal before the town it will carry unanimously. If gas is struck it will certainly have the effect of bringing business here which will benefit everyone.

Mr. Vickersen is continuing his canvass for subscriptions, and those citizens who can afford to contribute a small amount should do so. The outside residents are doing more than their share at the present time.

Boost the natural gas proposition.

The St. Cyprian's Men's Institute, which will be demolished in the old Gilmour hall, will be formally opened on Wednesday next, February 4th, at 8 p. m. His Worship, the Mayor of Lacombe, having very kindly consented to perform the opening ceremony.

It is intended to hold a whist drive; and other games, including billiards, chess and draughts will be provided. The object of the committee is to provide a place where the young men of Lacombe and district may find social amusement and recreation—a home which club comforts in fact.

The committee extends a hearty welcome to all who care to come, and will be pleased to receive applications for membership.

## Fatal Train Wreck

Jackson, Mich., Jan. 26—Five or more persons were killed and a score were injured tonight, when Michigan Central passenger train No. 70, from Saginaw, due here at 10.10 p. m., collided head-on with a freight train about three miles outside the city.

The baggage car and one coach of the passenger were telescoped and every passenger in the coach was either killed or injured. All available doctors were rushed to the scene of the wreck from this city. Several of the wounded were brought to hospitals here on an interurban car, the kind of which parallels the Michigan Central tracks at that point.

## BIRTHS

McLeod—At Lacombe, on Tuesday, January 27, to Mr. and Mrs. J. N. McLeod, a son.

Garland—At Lacombe, on Wednesday, January 28, to Mr. and Mrs. Delmer E. Garland, a son.







Most people would be benefited by the occasional use of **Ne-Dru-Ca Lactives**, which, thoroughly without discomfort, they free the system of the waste which produces the skin blemishes, the skin, at your fingertips.

Ne-Dru-Ca Lactives  
of Canada, Limited, 119

**Dress Material for Curtains**  
Thin dainty dress materials often make delightful curtains. Dainty flowered cotton crepes, for instance, make charming bedroom curtains. They are cheap, too, and that is always a virtue. Some of them cost twenty-five cents a yard, some even less. Then there are the plain and crinkled crepes in the latest artistic tones, some of them of mercerized cotton, so that they look and hang exactly like soft, smooth silk. They are exquisite shades of the new apricot, mulberry, peachblow, yellow and violet. The crepes are frequently seen on the bargain counters in odd lengths, are quite beautiful enough for parlor or living room use, and they are so cheap that you can get a lot of them for a very small sum. They are also available in a bit of transparent color between white and black, and in a variety of colors. The material and dark color inside. The material and dark color inside. The material and dark color inside.

Minard's Liniment Cures Gargot In Cattle

An Old Cattle's Story

He is an old caddy on an east coast coast, and being a noted horse on the island he has been known to caddy only for thoroughly efficient grooms. Occasionally, however, he finds himself accompanying a doctor and on these occasions his dignity is injured.

One day recently he found himself caddy to a doctor who was on his way to a horse for exercise that he had been told was a fine specimen of the breed.

Dread of Aspiration makes countless thousands restless. Night after night, after a good sleep, and even when the doctor has been called, the patient is still in torment from condensation and aspiration. Dr. J. D. Kellogg's Aspiration Remedy, which is a simple, safe, and effective remedy, will cure the patient in a few days.

**Open Windows at Night**  
It is difficult for doctors to agree and to agree with the patient. For years I had been a slave to the open window, the fresh air at night, the doctor of the official medical variety, there's one thing you must admit. A window was my obsession, but recently I found that I was not so much a slave to the open window as I was to the fresh air at night.

Look at the window. When they sleep they find the freshest rooms they can find, and they know they are best for them.

**That Explains It**  
Dr. Lyman Abbott, at a luncheon at the Colony Club in New York, was asked to explain the difference between a man and a woman. He said: "A man is a woman's friend, and a woman is a man's enemy."

The minister's wife was badly engaged one afternoon on attending the family of a neighbor called by a friendly call. A few minutes of news and gossip the caller remarked on the fact that the minister's wife was so busy that she could not be bothered with the family of a neighbor called by a friendly call.

**Bad Blood**  
In the direct and inevitable result of impure or contaminated blood, the blood is the life of the body. The blood is the life of the body. The blood is the life of the body.

**Dr. Morse's Indian Root Pills**  
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**For Circulation**  
Cold feet and hands indicate poor circulation. Those who suffer from them should exercise every day in the open air. They should also use the cold feet and hands. They should also use the cold feet and hands.

**Many Useless Germents**  
Fortunately, the body has a way of getting rid of the many useless germents that it takes in. The body has a way of getting rid of the many useless germents that it takes in.

**WOMEN NEED A SAFE TONIC**

And There is Nothing Better Than Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Toning up the Blood

It is said that woman's work is never done, and it is true. It is never done, and it is true. It is never done, and it is true. It is never done, and it is true.

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**Simple Transposition**  
One of the artists had just finished singing "Billie in Our Alley." The song was a new one, and it was a new one. The song was a new one, and it was a new one.

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**NO MORE NEURALGIA HEADACHE CURED**  
A Journalist Tells of The Advantage of Keeping Nervine Handy

Twenty years ago Nervine was used from coast to coast, and in thousands of homes this truly liniment served the entire family cured all their neuralgia and headache. It was a truly liniment served the entire family cured all their neuralgia and headache.

**Not Like Other Visitors**

The perfect baby of a South Side mother, who was in the hospital, can do an accomplishment in which he indulges himself most of the time when not otherwise engaged.

**Pin Pains Flee**  
There is more virtue in a bottle of Dr. Thomas' Eucalypti Oil as a subduer of pain than in a bottle of any other medicine.

**An Apt Report**  
Cand. Hoopes on seeing her nephew's dance for the first time, I never shall know you from your photograph. Regret to tell you that I am not so young as I once was.

**A Tall Story**  
The long-legged man, we know is our friend H. Bingham. Palmer. He can take a jump five feet, four inches, and he is devoted to horse-back riding.

**Happy New Year!**  
Are you acquainted with the sweet, toasty flavor of Post Toasties?

**Wholesome, convenient and immensely appetizing.**  
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**FORESTY FACTS**  
The Dominion Forest Reserves are approximately 100,000,000 acres in extent. On these reserves, especially in the Rocky Mountains, are considerable areas of game land, which by the new Forest Reserves Regulations will be made available to hunters and sportsmen, under certain restrictions.

As yet, few of the new laws have been put into effect. The new laws will be put into effect. The new laws will be put into effect. The new laws will be put into effect.

**Not Much of a Rabbit**

A little boy was carrying a pet rabbit in his arms, when suddenly it sprang from him and ran away. With all haste he ran after it, calling frantically. "Come back, bunny, come back, bunny!" But bunny did not come back and did not even pause in his flight.

**One Day a Learned Professor was**  
One day a learned professor was on a boat, and he was on a boat. One day a learned professor was on a boat, and he was on a boat.

**Preferred the Short One**  
I was age king with your father last night, said the young man. Oh, were you, I was the last night. I was the last night. I was the last night.

**Not Worrying Him**  
Wife (studying vocally)—I wish, dear, you'd have double windows put in the kitchen. I wish, dear, you'd have double windows put in the kitchen.

**One of the**  
On the 10th of the month, the Minister of the Interior, Mr. H. O. Fenton, lecturing at the Royal Photographic Society, was asked by the president of the society to deliver a paper on the subject of the photograph.

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**SCOTT'S SICKNESS OPERATION**  
It is a pathetic mistake to accept drugs or alcohol to relieve sickness when nature craves nourishment to repair the wasted body and restore the vigor of health.

For forty years the best physicians have relied on the whole some predigestion nourishment in Scott's Emulsion totally free from alcohol or opiates. Scott's Emulsion sharpens the appetite, renews blood, nourishes nerves, strengthens bones and restores the courage of health to make life bright.

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F. H. SCHOOLEY, PROPRIETOR

### EXIT EMERGENCY

Two more tombstones were erected in the Conservative cemetery on the 16th inst., when parliament assembled for the third session of the Borden Government. Where formerly the monument of the tariff commission bill stood in lonely condemnation of the Government's past there are now three cenotaphs, commemorating the Borden Emergency Naval Aid Bill, and the Highway's Aid Bill, both of which have been interred without even the grace of a funeral ceremony having been added. Their obsequies came some too soon, for the Emergency was still-born on December 6th 1912, and the Highway's Aid Bill was killed at the close of the last session when the Government abandoned it rather than adopt the Senate amendments designed to bring it into accord with the Canadian constitution and provincial rights over highways.

Last year's Speech from the Throne was regarded as barren. This year's Speech might be regarded as a negation. The Speech which was given to His Royal Highness conveyed sympathetic references to the Duchess of Connaught's illness and his own absence in England. It informed the people that there had been an increase in trade and immigration; that there had been a good harvest in the west and that the railways were running so well that they had been able to take care of the crop. Eloquent mention was made of the financial stringency with the consoling proviso that it was attacking the whole world, so that of course Canada must get its full share.

No mention was made of the fact that trade had declined during the last few months, that the Government revenue was dropping, and that soup kitchens were being found necessary in the larger cities to meet the hunger of the unemployed. It was proudly announced that the Government's income had been sufficient to meet its spending, despite the fact that Hon. Mr. White had been compelled to borrow \$48,000,000 in England during the year at high interest, and would have borrowed more, but that the British financiers shooed him off.

No mention was made of the Senate, whose reference of the Naval Aid Bill to the people and amendments of the Highway's Aid Bill had caused the Government so much disappointment. It is improbable that this neglect was caused by courtesy owing to the fact that the Speech was delivered in the Red Chamber. In fact the Government in omitting any reference to the Upper Chamber tacitly admitted that the Senate by refusing these abandoned measures had performed its proper functions in conserving the interests of the people. Further assurance to this effect, although not in consonance with Mr. Borden's pre-election promises, was conveyed in the announcement that the Government intended to introduce a Bill by which it could give the four Western Provinces two more Senators apiece, in the hope of before long sliding the Grius Reaper in effecting the present Liberal majority.

The only concrete legislation promised was the long deferred Redistribution Bill, which was

merely mentioned, and bills relating to the Civil Service and to Trust and Loan Companies.

Beyond this the main items of the Speech were congratulatory paragraphs regarding the completion of the National Transcontinental Railway, which was so bitterly opposed by the Conservatives; the progress of the Hudson Bay Railway, which was started by the late Liberal Government and has been botched by the present administration; the development of Canadian ports, following on the programme initiated by the Hon. J. Israel Tarte and elaborated under the Hon. Mr. Brodeur, and a felicitation of itself by the Government on the Agricultural Instruction Aid Act, which was founded on the advice of the Technical Education Commission, appointed under the late Liberal Government.

Almost at the last came the most important item from the Government point of view—announcement that the estimates would be promptly brought down, so that the Ministers could have plenty of money with which to carry on their extravaganzas. With unnecessary irony it was stated that the estimates "have been prepared with due regard to the necessary development of the resources of the Dominion coupled with careful attention to economical administration." If the latter provision is rigidly adhered to it will be a great surprise and disappointment to the Hon. Messrs. Rogers, Hughes, and Reid, et al.

The tariff, as expected, was studiously avoided. There was no hint that the high cost of living needed any attention; no suggestion that the real interests of the people were being considered. The whole programme for the coming session of Parliament, scant as it is, has apparently been designed to forget the mistakes of last session and fix things up so as to help the Government itself for the present. As to the people and their requirements they were treated with a fine old Tory contempt.

This, however, merely outlines the Borden Government's official ideas. When the Opposition fires its programme, it will probably be found that Parliament is forced to undertake legislation more in consonance with the needs of Canada, just as was the case last session and the session before.

### THOUSANDS OUT OF WORK

For almost the first time since Canada was rehabilitated in 1897 by the Fielding tariff and the wise administration of the Laurier government, Canada is now suffering owing to a serious business crisis, with consequent lack of employment. In Toronto it is stated that at a conservative estimate there are 15,000 men walking the city streets in search of employment, while this number is being considerably increased, no less than 2,500 men having lost their jobs between December 30th and the New Year. So serious has the situation become that the city council has had to take cognizance of it and civic works are being arranged in the hope of furnishing employment for these men. There is a Homeric justice in the fact that Tory Toronto is one of the worst sufferers from Tory misgovernment.

At Winnipeg it is reported that between 3,000 and 5,000 men are

out of work, while their number is being constantly increased.

At Regina, Saskatchewan, the position has become so acute that the unemployed have threatened violence in the hope of attracting attention to their misery. The police found it so difficult to cope with the situation that preparations were made to bring out the militia and put the city under martial law in case of emergency.

In Montreal every charitable institution is taxed beyond its limits, and at several points "bread lines" have been established with such effect that men whose only misfortune was that they had no work to do gathered at midnight to wait hours in the cold for their dole of bread and coffee.

From every part of Canada come reports of hard times, retrenchment and lack of employment. It is impossible not to contrast these conditions with those which prevailed during the fifteen years of Liberal administration and during the first year of the present Government.

It is impossible to argue that the methods of the present extravagant opportunist Government have nothing to do with this state of affairs so disastrous to a young and prosperous country such as Canada. During the Laurier administration national expenditures were kept down within reasonable limits while proper care was taken to spend whatever money was necessary on national development and the tariff was judiciously revised in order to meet conditions as they arose. Prosperity was the natural result. Under two years of Conservative Government the edifice of national prosperity raised during fifteen years of sane Liberal administration has been crumbled, taxes have been increased, expenditures have doubled. Extravagance and corruption have been in evidence on every hand and now the inevitable result has followed. Canada's credit abroad has suffered, her trade has fallen off, her debt has increased, the national income is falling and the financial stringency is such as will make the present winter memorable to many as the worst they have had to endure since 1896.

Providence helps those who help themselves. Under Liberal administration Canada was really governed, and the statesmen who supported Sir Wilfrid Laurier moulded their actions to meet situations as they arose. Under this coalition group of opportunists behind Mr. Borden the reverse has been the case, and even now that Parliament is again assembling, the Government is so tightly in the grip of the highly protected interests that not the slightest move is indicated towards the lowering of the tariff on food or any serious effort to cope with the high cost of living and the lack of employment.



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### Judicial Sale of Farm Property Near Morningtide, Alberta.

Pursuant to judgment and final Order for Sale there will be sold by O. F. Damron, Auctioneer, at the office of Frank Vickerson, at Lacombe, Alberta, on Saturday the 31st day of January, 1914, at the hour of 12 o'clock noon, the South East quarter of Section 8, in Township 42; in Range 26, West of the Fourth Meridian, Alberta, subject to the reservations and conditions in the grant from the Crown or in the existing Certificate of Title.

The vendors are informed that this property consists of 160 acres of land of which 145 acres are good arable land, 10 acres of low land and 5 acres of scrub. The property is fenced on two sides with a woven wire fence and tamarack posts and on the South and West sides with a two strand wire fence and tamarack posts. The property is situated within three and a half miles of the Town of Morningtide and within one mile of a school. There is a good well on the property. The soil is a black loam averaging approximately twenty inches in depth with clay subsoil. There are 30 acres of land under cultivation on the property this year.

There are the following buildings on the said property: A log house 22 x 22 with shingle roof, a log shed 10 x 14 with board roof and a frame barn 40 x 40 with shingle roof, all in good state of repair.

The property will be sold subject to a Reserve Bid. Terms of payment will be 10 per cent cash on the day of sale and the balance within 60 days thereafter without interest. Other terms and conditions are the standing conditions of the Supreme Court of Alberta as settled by the Master in Chambers. Further particulars may be had from Messrs. Griesbach, O'Connor & Company, Solicitors, Edmonton, Alberta.

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## Terrible Explosion at Stock Show

Ottawa, Jan. 21.—Three people were killed, six people were injured and 25 horses, including one of the most famous strings of horses in the hunter class in America were wiped out of existence by the explosion of a boiler in the fat stock show building here this morning. The horses were valued at \$900,000.

The dead are Napoleon St. Denis, Hull; John W. McDonald of Ottawa, both butchers, and an unknown man believed to be a cattle drover. The world champion hunter owned by Geo. Pepper, were destroyed.

In addition there were 14 other horses belonging to different horsemen valued at \$35,000.

There were 150 horses in the building at the time of the explosion. Horsemen had considerable difficulty in getting their horses out.

The explosion was due to the boilers being filled suddenly with cold water when they were at red heat.

The Ontario government will be liable for damages in the event of claims being entered.

Seven of the Pepper string were killed, including Calgary Lass the highest jumping pony in the world. She was immediately over the boiler and was blown 100 feet into the air, passing over the pavilion. In her descent she fell on the galvanized roof of the pavilion, breaking every bone in her body.

Loss of horses has been particularly severe some considerable loss to sheep, swine and poultry also having been sustained, will fall heavily on exhibitors. The building is wrecked to such an extent as to render the continuance of the show impossible and accordingly discontinuance has been decided upon and exhibitors have been notified to remove their exhibits.

## ONE POINT EFFECTIVELY CLEARED

Announcements made with more or less evidence of official authority, have been eliciting out of Ottawa for more than half a year to the effect that the much-touted parcels post was to be established in Canada immediately after New Year.

Now comes the announcement by Sir William Mackenzie himself that the adjustment of the remuneration to the railways has not yet been accomplished, and that the inauguration of the parcels post is likely to be delayed for some time pending negotiations. The railways, he claims, have been carrying the mails for little or nothing, and are entitled to a much

larger remuneration for handling the parcels post.

So, when the post master general gave his celebrated announcement in the dominion house that Canada was to have parcels post, he did so with the sotto voce reservation that such a service, if it was to be established by the Dominion government, was subject to the railways' consent.

Sir William's announcement that parcels post cannot be inaugurated until he and his partners have been dealt with does not assist anyone to believe that relief is coming soon from the express monopoly. But it at least clears up one point. It makes it plain who is really running this dominion of Canada.

## TOO GREAT LENIENCY IN THE COURTS

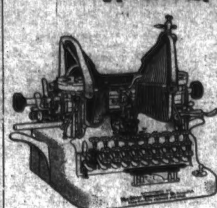
Are not the judges in the West much too lenient in cases of more serious nature? The question must surely arise upon pronouncement of the sentence of a year in prison passed upon a man who appeared in supreme court of Saskatchewan a day or two ago, charged with an offence against a girl of nine years.

If there is one matter more than another in which public opinion would most strongly approve of the application of the law's utmost severity, it is in cases of this and similar nature. Public opinion is not hysterical on the matter in the West. No attempt is made to apply "lynch law" or to influence the decision or sentence of the judges. But the force of public indignation surely makes necessary a judgment which will stand as a warning and make for reform.

The West is lenient as a rule in its judgment of wrongdoers, and it is probable the judges are influenced to some extent by this sentiment. As a general rule there is no public indignation against offenders, and it is very easy to make the mistake of supposing this applies to all cases. The tendency has been toward too great leniency. The law says murderers must hang, but how long is it since a murderer in Alberta did hang? Sentences of from three to five years have been the average in cases which public opinion considered deliberate murders. Crimes against women and children, too, have been all too frequent, and a sentence of one year in prison for an offence of this kind is all too lenient. For while the West generally is lenient in minor offences, it also retains a very deep instinct of chivalry which makes offences against women peculiarly the crime for which application of the severest penalty provided by law would be considered none

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The general annual meeting of the shareholders of the Lacombe Brick, Tile & Cement Company Ltd., will be held in the Town Hall, Lacombe, on Saturday, the 31st day of January, 1914, at the hour of 3 o'clock p.m. Business important.

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